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ARRAY CAMERA

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,

Applicants hereby call the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

(1) LLOYD, Thermal Imaging System, Plenum Press, NY, pages 316-319 (1975).

Applicants note that this document is discussed in paragraph [0004] of the specification;

(2) U.S. Patent No. 5,907,353 to OKAUCHI, which issued on February 25, 1999;

(3) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 64-38717, which is dated February 9,

1989; and

(4) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 4-352124, which is dated December 7,
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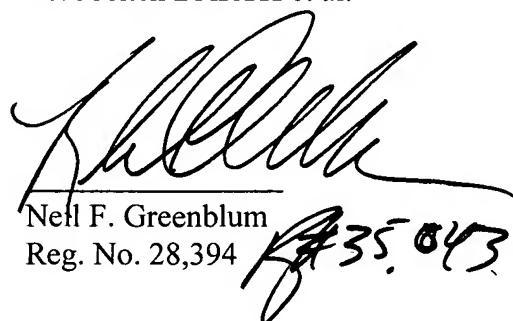
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under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), a copy of the U.S. patent is not enclosed herewith. However, if a
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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the same. Copies of the Japanese patents and book excerpt are attached and all of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicants with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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